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Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 CFR 1.53(b) are the specification and claims of the nonprovisional patent application of:

Hiroshi ISHIHARA

Inventor(s)

INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS, IMAGE FORMATION APPARATUS, DRAWING
PROCESSING METHOD, AND COMPUTER PRODUCT

Title of Invention

APPLICATION ELEMENTS ENCLOSED:

1. X Specification, total pages 68 including:
 - a. 20 pages of claims (69 claims)
 - b. 1 page(s) Abstract
2. X 16 sheets of informal X formal drawings (Figs. 1-24)
3. Oath or declaration of Applicant(s) (total pages)
 - a. Newly executed (original)
 - b. Unexecuted
 - c. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
(for continuation/divisional with Item 14 completed)
4. Deletion of Inventor(s)
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b)
5. Incorporation By Reference
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied in item 3b is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
6. Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)

APPLICATION PARTS ENCLOSED:

7. An assignment (cover sheet & document(s))
8. 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (*when there is an assignee*)
9. Power of Attorney
 - a. Newly executed (original)
 - b. Unexecuted
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10. X Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449

X Copies of IDS Citations

11. A Preliminary Amendment

12. X Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)

13. Applicant(s) hereby establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27

14. If a Continuing Application, *check the appropriate box and supply the requisite information:*

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15. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line of page one: --This is a continuation
_____ divisional of application Serial No. _____ filed ____--

16. X Priority of application No. 2002-267967 filed in Japan on September 13, 2002. Applicant hereby
claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §119.

X A certified copy of priority application No. 2002-267967 is enclosed herewith.

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